ORDINANCE NO. 2011-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE CITY OF SEDONA LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE ARTICLE 11, SECTION 1105(L) (POLITICAL SIGNS); AND PROVIDING THAT ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES OR ANY PART OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE REPEALED UPON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Adoption by Reference

The proposed amendments set forth in that certain document entitled "Proposed 2011 Amendments to the Land Development Code Regarding Political Signs," established as a public record by Resolution No. 2011-21, are hereby referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in this Ordinance.

Section 2. Repeal

All ordinances or parts of ordinances or any part of the Land Development Code in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as of the effective date hereof.

Section 3. Savings Clause

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance. The City Council declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, despite the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases, or portions thereof would be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sedona, Arizona this 11th day of October, 2011.

Robert M. Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Susan L. Irvine, CMC, Acting City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Mike Goimarac, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-21

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA, ESTABLISHING AS A PUBLIC RECORD THE TERMS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE SEDONA LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE ARTICLE 11, SECTION 1105(L) (SIGN REGULATIONS/EXEMPTIONS/POLITICAL SIGNS)

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA that the provisions set forth in that document attached hereto as Exhibit A, entitled "Proposed 2011 Changes to the Land Development Code Regarding Political Signs," constitutes a public record to be incorporated by reference into Ordinance No. 2011-09.

At least three (3) copies of this public record shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk and kept available for public use and inspection.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sedona, Arizona this 11th day of October, 2011.

Robert M. Adams, Mayor

Attest:

Susan L. Irvine, CMC, Acting City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Mike Goimarac, City Attorney

Exhibit A

Proposed 2011 Changes to the Land Development Code Regarding Political Signs

Section 1105(L) of the Sedona Land Development Code is amended to read as follows:

(L.) Political signs.

- 1. Recommended Voluntary Political Sign Guidelines. In 2011, state legislation mandated that all municipalities allow political signs with size and location limits that dramatically exceeded prevailing Sedona city standards for political signs. The City's political sign restrictions had served for years to limit the negative aesthetic affects of numerous large political signs throughout the city and thereby served to fulfill the city's vision of enhancing its natural beauty. While, in light of state legislation the City is no longer able to mandate these same standards, the City does urge all political candidates and political committees to voluntarily adhere to the following non-mandatory political sign guidelines:
 - a. It is recommended that no political signs be placed on or about public property or within any public rights-of-way.
 - b. Political signs shall not be erected earlier than 60 days prior to the special voting period, and it is recommended that such signs be removed within 5 days after the Election Day.
 - c. It is recommended that one sign shall be permitted per street frontage per lot or parcel for each candidate or measure, and that the size of the sign not exceed 6 square feet in area and 3 feet in height.
- Mandatory Requirements for Political Signs. Notwithstanding the proposed voluntary sign guidelines set forth in paragraph 1 above, the following requirements for political signs set forth the mandatory and maximum standards for placement, duration and size and cannot be exceeded:
 - a. Political signs shall not be allowed within ADOT rights-of-way. However, political signs shall be allowed within City of Sedona public rights-of-way.
 - Political signs may be placed on private property with property owner's approval.
 - c. Political signs must be stationary, unlighted and temporary.
 - d. Political signs shall not be erected earlier than 60 days prior to the specified voting period, and shall be removed within 15 days after the Election Day.
 - e. The person, party or parties responsible for erection or distribution of any such signs shall be jointly and individually liable for their removal. The sign shall contain the name and telephone number of the candidate or campaign committee contact person responsible for the sign.

- f. Political signs shall not exceed 16 square feet in areas zoned for residential use or 32 square feet in other zoned areas. Political signs shall not exceed five feet in height.
- g. The following areas within City of Sedona rights-of-way shall be designated as "political sign free zones" due to predominance of commercial tourism, resort and hotel uses. Political signs shall not be allowed within the "political sign free zones".
 - 1. Along SR 89A from L'Auberge Lane to the north end of uptown Sedona where the ADOT owned section of SR 89A commences.
 - 2. Along Jordan Road from SR 89A to the northern end of the C-1 (General Commercial) zoning district boundary.
 - 3. Along Apple Avenue from SR 89A to Jordan Road.
 - 4. Along Forest Road from SR 89A to Smith Road.
 - 5. Along Van Deren Road from Forest Road to Mesquite Avenue.
 - 6. Along Mesquite Avenue from Jordan Road to Wilson Road.
 - 7. Along Mountain View Road from Apple Avenue to Schnebly Road.
 - 8. Along Cedar Street from Apple Avenue to Schnebly Road.
 - 9. Along Schnebly Road from Jordan Road to Mountain View Road.
 - 10. All of Arroyo Roble Road.
 - 11. Along Brewer Road from SR 89A to Ranger Road.
 - 12. Along Ranger Road from SR 179 to Brewer Road.